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Fire station plan sparks questions

Don Howard
Staff Writer

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A plan to reopen Fire Station No. 2 in Plymouth Township sparked some heat during a study session of the board of trustees last week.

The station has been closed for more than 5 years following massive layoffs in the fire department, reducing the full-time staff by half, and increasing reported response times.

Plymouth Township Fire Chief Dan Phillips has been conducting civil service exams and interviewing potential firefighter candidates since January in an effort to be ready for the eventual re-opening of the Lake Pointe Fire Station.

Phillips wants to hire six fully-trained professional firefighters, the minimum number he insists are necessary to safely manage operations and adequately staff the station which serves the largest subdivision in the township. He estimates that the reopening of the station could cost total of $550,000, including salaries and other costs.

Fire safety was one of the key elements in Township Supervisor Kurt Heise's election campaign last year. He told voters he would make the reopening of the station a priority. Heise presented a preliminary plan to members of the board of trustees during a study session last week. The plan prompted some heated discussion during a meeting that became contentious.

Heise told the board trustees that he has negotiated an informal verbal agreement with Northville Township Supervisor Bob Nix and Township Manager Chip Snider regarding staffing at Fire Station No. 2.

The plan Heise presented includes hiring three firefighters and staffing the station with two firefighters from Northville Township and two firefighters from Plymouth Township.

"Elections are a referendum where the people say what they want to see in the community going forward. I believe public safety is the number one function of government…" he told the board members regarding the plan which he called "preliminary."

Veteran firefighters said in later interviews that they would like to see the station open but Heise's plan to join forces with the Northville Township Fire Department is flawed, and could possibly place residents in danger. Calling it a Band-Aid, they claim his proposed plan spreads the firefighters too thin "when you rob the other sta-

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Loving legacy

Author recalls effect of family on her writing

National Poetry Month in April had a special meaning for Robin Morris-Wilson who saw three of her original poems published in the Lyceum Fine Arts and Literary Journal, a publication of the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

And as Mother's Day approaches Sunday, she is even more grateful for the influence of her family, especially her mother and grandmothers, on her love of the written word.

Morris-Wilson, a reading major at the college, grew up in Inkster surrounded by a family who loved music, reading and poetry. She said she believes her poetry and writing is reflective of her upbringing and influenced by both her family and her community. Now 33, she published her first children's book titled Mama Got Rhythm and Daddy Got Rhyme, a story about how jazz influenced rhythm and blues music. It was only after her book was published that her great-aunts and a great-uncle began to share stories about her grandmother's poetry with her, she said. Her grandmother, Vondell Bailey, died when Morris-Wilson was 12 and it was much later that she discovered some of her grandmother's poetry tucked away in a box.

"To find her poems and read her thoughts was truly a gift. Like some of my poetry, her poems were tributes to family members and inspirational poems," Morris-Wilson said. Her grandmother was a well-known milliner in the area famous for her craftsmanship in creating hats.

Her entire family, she recalled, loved poetry and music. As she was growing up, her "Granny Josie" as she knew Josie Odum Morris, gave her and her sister books for birthdays and other occasions. Her father, Jonnie Morris, an electrician by trade, wrote and recorded music in the basement of their home and she still recalls the sounds of Earth, Wind, and Fire, Stevie Wonder, Boys II Men, Diana Ross, and Whitney Houston as a constant sound throughout the house.

Her mother, Charlene Morris, played gospel music by The Clarke Sisters and CeCe Winans while she combed her daughters' hair.

Morris-Wilson said she likes to write all types of poetry, humorous, somber, tribute and introspective poems.

Charlene Morris, left, Josie Odum Morris, Roslyn Morris, Vondell Bailey and Robin Morris-Wilson are seen in a treasured family photo.

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Grant will fund new Romulus voting machines

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The City of Romulus will use new voting equipment this year, after entering into an agreement this month with the Michigan Department of State and Wayne County.

Through the Help America Vote Act, the grant will help the city pay for new tabulator machines, election management software and maintenance of the machines.

"The State of Michigan is actually moving into a whole new voting system," said Romulus Clerk Ellen Craig-Bragg. "In order to receive our new voting equipment, we have to enter into an agreement with the state."

Secretary of State Ruth Johnson said in a statement that she wants all new voting equipment implemented by the end of next year. The state has narrowed down the vendors to three firms, but is letting the counties make the final decision on which to use.

"The state has allowed the counties to decide out of the three vendors, which voting system would best accommodate that county," Craig Bragg said.

The contracts were approved in January. The three vendors are Dominion Voting Systems of Toronto, Election Systems and Software of Nebraska and Hart InterCivic of Texas. Each company has provided systems that have been successful in other states.

The bulk of the funding for the new equipment will come from the state or federal government. The State of Michigan has authorized $82.1 million during the next 10 years to replace aging voting equipment, which includes $30 million allocated from the federal government. Craig-Bragg said she won't know the exact cost to the city until the vendor is selected.

"As of right now there are some cost-sharing that will occur, but that's been factored into the budget," she said. "They were asking us to budget an additional $2,000 per precinct just to cover any additional costs, and we've budgeted appropriately to accommodate that." Since Romulus has 12 precincts, the upgrade could cost as much as $24,000.

The new machines are optical scan machines in which a voter marks a paper ballot and then feeds it through an optical scanning machine, providing a paper trail that can be used for recounts. The new machines will also have the ability to store a photo image of each scanned

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INKSTER - ROMULUS

Movie Night

Police host showing of Finding Dory

Fresh popped popcorn and one of the most beloved of all the Disney films will highlight the first-ever Movie Night at the PD.

The event will begin at about 8 p.m. Friday, May 26 in the parking lot at police headquarters, 26279 Michigan Ave. in Inkster. The movie, Finding Dory, will begin at

About 8:30 p.m. or when it is dark enough to facilitate seeing the film.

In additions to the fresh popcorn, other refreshments will be provided during the movie. This is a free community event and there is no charge. Audiences are urged to bring their own chairs or blankets to sit on and to dress appropriately for the weather as it is an outdoor event.

The movie title selected through a police department Facebook page survey of residents and officers are expected to be on hand with their families for the film.

Police Chief William T. Riley said that there will be auxiliary police units on site to provide security and handle any situations that could occur.

More information is available by phoning the police department at (313) 203-2209 or visiting www.facebook.com/inksterpolice.

Sign of the times

Roger Staten of the Romulus Department of Public Works shows off the wooden frame he built, treated and stained to protect the new Romulus Animal Shelter sign. Councilman William Wadsworth, who has spearheaded the efforts at the animal shelter, said that Staten built the frame from scrap wood and installed glass on the sign to protect it from the elements. Two signs were donated to the city shelter by Keith Johnson of Johnson's Lithographs and the weather had started to wear one of them. Staten, a 20-year city employee, is a heavy equipment operator with the city. "He just did a tremendous job," Wadsworth said.

Author

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"Years ago, I started writing poetry because it gave me a creative platform to voice my thoughts. In college, I started going to poetry open mic nights in Detroit, library poetry readings, and writer's conferences. I performed at the Charles H. Wright Museum, The Key Club, Sweet Lorraine's and other venues," she said. Morris-Wilson and her husband, Khandi Wilson, now live in Dearborn.

She said that now she often uses the rhythms of her parents' music in her writing.

"I like to play with different sounds and words in writing. Recently, I wrote a tribute poem to my late father, who passed away several years ago,"

That poem Memories of My Father was one of those recently published in Lyceum Fine Arts and Literary Journal.

Robin Morris-Wilson

"Like the music we listened to on our car rides home from the gym, I think a lyrical quality can be heard in my poem. It captures the specialness of our bond," she said.

"As I continue to write, one thing that I know for sure is that my poems are birthed out of childhood memories, kinship, personal identity, and my connection to my community."

To read more of Morris-Williams' work, visit http://www.lyceumdearborn.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Lyceum-Winter-2017.

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ballot, which could also help in audits of election results.

"This is something new," Craig-Bragg said. "The challenge is that you have different counties with these three vendors that will have three different voting systems. Implementing them on a county level-there's some unknowns there."

The new machines will be used in the Aug. 8 primary election this year.

"The new equipment offers voters all the speed and convenience of the latest ballot-scanning and election-night reporting technology while at the same time featuring a good, old-fashioned paper ballot that we can always go back and look at if we need to," Johnson said in a statement.

CITY OF WESTLAND
SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES
MTG. 9 5/1/17

Presiding: President Godbout
Present: Cicirelli Bryant, Coleman, Hammons, Herzberg, Johnson, Kehrer
73: YAP Administrator Contract; term 7/1/17-6/30/2021.
- Intro Ord. 29-W-26-23 to amend rates for industrial waste control charges.
- Adopt Resolution in support of CDBG Program funding.
74: Minutes of regular meeting held 4/17/17.
75: Minutes of study session held 4/22/17.
76: Close PH on 2017-18 prop. budget.
77: Close PH on prop. Brownfield Plan, Westland Senior Leasing.
78: Adopt resolution to approve prop. Brownfield Plan for Westland Senior Leasing.
79: Intro. Final Statement for CDBG Annual Action Plan 7/1/17 - 6/30/18.
80: Waived procedure to intro. & adopt Final Statement for CDBG Annual Action Plan 7/1/17 - 6/30/18.
81: Adopt. Final Statement for CDBG Annual Action Plan 7/1/17 - 6/30/18.
82: Adopt. prep. res. to adopt CDBG & HOME Program Annual Action Plan 7/1/17 - 6/30/18.
83: Appr. amended Recreation Passport Grant Application for matching funds $75,000/$34,000, total $109,000.
84: Appr. rev. site plan for prop. vestibule addition to Comerica Bank Building, 360 S. Wayne Rd. w/contingencies.
85: Conf. re-appt. of B. Swope to EDC/TIFA for 4 yr. term to exp. 3/19/2021.
86: Appr. checklist: $ 493,334.35.
Mtg. adj. at 9:10 p.m.

James Godbout
Council President
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Richard LeBlanc
City Clerk
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CITY OF ROMULUS INVITATION TO BID
ITB 16/17-12 ROMULUS ATHLETIC CENTER CARPET REPLACEMENT
ITB 16/17-32 SENIOR CENTER PROJECTORS
ITB 16/17-38 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT DEMOLITIONS
ITB 16/17-42 DEMOLITION LIST 16-01

(1) The City of Romulus, Michigan is seeking bids from qualified companies for the above item/items and/or services.
(2) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a bid ***must use the forms provided by the City***. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the MITN system @ http://www.mitn.info/. Bids may be rejected unless made on the forms included with the bidding documents.
(3) Clarifications, modifications, or amendments may be made to this solicitation at the discretion of the City. Any and all addenda issued by the City will be posted on the MITN system. All interested parties are instructed to view the MITN website regularly for any issued addenda. It is the responsibility of the bidder to obtain the any issued addenda and acknowledge any issued addenda by including a printed copy of the addendum as part of the required documents for this solicitation and list the addendum in the bid's Table of Contents if required.
(4) Two (2) copies of the bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and returned to the ***City Clerk's Office*** no later than 2:30 P.M., Tuesday, **May 30, 2017**. Bids should be submitted in a sealed envelope and addressed using the Bid package label provided in the ITB documents.
(5) At approximately 2:45 p.m., local time all timely received bids are to be publicly opened and read.
(6) The successful Bidder will be required to submit proof of all insurance required by the ITB documents and copies of all required endorsements.
(7) The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all bids and proposals and to waive any minor informality or irregularity in proposals received.
(8) For additional information contact Lynn A, Conway, City of Romulus, Purchasing Director, by calling (734) 955-4568 or by emailing lconway@romulusgov.com.

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MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 24, 2017
Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairwoman Pro Tem Linda Choate.
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call: Kathleen Abdo, Linda Choate, Harry Crout, Sylvia Makowski, Celeste Roscoe, William Wadsworth.
Excused: Mayor Pro-Tem John Barden
Administrative Officials in Attendance:
LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor
Stacy Paige, Treasurer
Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk
1. Moved by **Crout,** seconded by **Makowski** to accept the agenda as presented. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
17-111 2A. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Abdo** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on April 10, 2017 with correction to wording in Resolution 17-104 (insert "first reading" of rezoning ordinance). **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
17-112 2B. Moved by **Crout,** seconded by **Roscoe** to approve the minutes of the special meetings of the Romulus City Council held on April 10, 2017 – Closed Session, Pending Union Matters and Open Session, 2017-18 Preliminary Budget. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
3. Petitioner: None.
4. Chairperson's Report:
17-113 4A. Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Roscoe** to approve a no-fee permit for the 5th Annual 2K Health & Fitness Neighborhood Walk on Saturday, April 29, 2017 starting at the Romulus Civic League, 11495 Wahrman Road, at 8:30 a.m. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
17-114 4B. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Crout** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Edward Hathcock. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
4. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Makowski** to accept the Chairperson's Report. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
5. Mayor's Report:
Jazmine Danci, Community Outreach Director, read a list of upcoming City events.
17-115 5A. Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Roscoe** to concur with the administration and authorize the mayor and clerk to enter into the Tri-Party Agreement between the City of Romulus, the State of Michigan and OHM to perform construction inspections on the Wick Road Phase II Reconstruction. The City's local share will be approximately $31,409.49, **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
17-116 5B. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Makowski** to concur with the administration and authorize the mayor and clerk to enter into the Sanitary Sewer Easement for the Jimmy John's site (35351 Goddard) for future sanitary sewer maintenance over the property. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
17-117 5C. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Roscoe** to concur with the administration and adopt the Redevelopment Ready Communities Participation Resolution as presented. This authorizes the City of Romulus to participate in the Michigan Economic Development Corporation Redevelopment Ready Communities Program. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
17-118 5D. Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Crout** to concur with the administration to introduce Budget Amendment 16/17-23 to recognize the recently awarded CDBG program income funds for an approved project. A resident inquired what the money would be used for. Motion Carried Unanimously.
6A. Clerk's Report
17-119 6A1. Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Wadsworth** to approve second reading, final adoption of an ordinance to amend the Official Zoning Map of the City of Romulus by rezoning certain property from R-1A, Single-Family Residential District to C-1, Local Business District. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** – Abdo, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. **Nays** – None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
17-120 6A2. Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Roscoe** to concur with City Clerk, Ellen Craig-Bragg, to authorize the clerk to enter into the "Help America Vote Act" (HAVA) Grant Agreement with the State of Michigan and Wayne County. Councilwoman Makowski inquired about a cost share and purchase maintenance agreement. Motion Carried Unanimously.
6B. Treasurer's Report:
City Treasurer, Stacy Paige, spoke about the list of delinquent property taxes that was provided to City Council and that the Treasurer's Office is working diligently to collect those delinquent taxes.
7. Public Comment:
Helen Gregory, Chairperson of the "2K Health and Fitness Walk" invited the elected officials to join them in the walk on April 29th.
8. Unfinished Business:
Councilman Wadsworth spoke about the Animal Shelter Bowl-A-Thon fundraiser on May 12th.
9. New Business: None
10. Communication: None
17-121 11. Moved by **Abdo,** seconded by **Crout** to pay Warrant 17-08 in the amount of $1,284,055.92. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
12. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Roscoe** to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on April 24, 2017.

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ORDINANCE NO. 2017-008
CITY OF ROMULUS
APPENDIX A - ZONING
AMENDMENT 1.235

An Ordinance to amend the Official Zoning Map of the City of Romulus by rezoning certain property from R-1A, Single-family Residential District to C-1, Local Business District.
THE CITY OF ROMULUS ORDAINS:

SHORT TITLE: This Ordinance shall be known and cited as the Amended Zoning Ordinance.
SECTION 1: To rezone 1.27 acres, parcel #80-141-99-0010-701 owned by Hanna and Hany, LLC. from R-1A, Single-family Residential District to C-1, Local Business District.

Legal Description of Parcel

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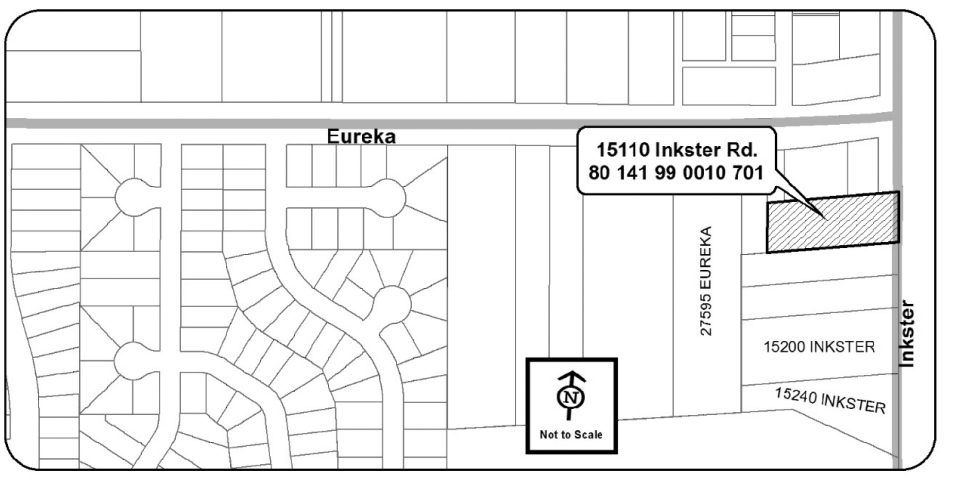

SECTION 2: Severability. Should any word, sentence, phrase or any portion of this ordinance be held in any manner invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction or by any state agency having authority to do so for any reason whatsoever, such holdings shall be construed and limited to such words, sentence, phrase, or any portion of the ordinance held to be so invalid and shall not be construed as effecting the validity of any of the remaining words, sentences, phrases or portions of this ordinance.
SECTION 3: Conflicting Ordinances. All prior existing ordinances adopted by the City of Romulus inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency hereby expressly repealed.
SECTION 4: Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect upon publication thereof in an official newspaper, which publication shall be made when the minutes passing the ordinance are published subject to revocation at will of the City of Romulus at any time.

ADOPTED, APPROVED AND PASSED by the City Council at the City of Romulus this 24th day of April, 2017.
I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Ordinance as passed by the City Council of the City of Romulus at a regular Council Meeting held in the City Council Chambers in said City on the 24th day of April, 2017.
Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk

Introduced: April 10, 2017
Adopted: April 24, 2017
Published: May 11, 2017
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CANTON - PLYMOUTH

Preparations for Annual Liberty Fest under way

Preparations are already under way for the 2017 Liberty Festival in Canton Township.

This is the 26th year for the event which will take place from Thursday June 15 throughout Saturday, June 17 on the grounds of Heritage Park, located behind the Canton Administration Building at 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

This year, the festival will feature three fun-filled days of great entertainment, exciting rides and Midway games, organizers said, along with, "delicious food featuring a Taste of Liberty Festival as well as a variety of food trucks, two stages of live entertainment, a spectacular fireworks display and much, much more."

Festival-goers can purchase discounted carnival ride wristbands online through noon, Thursday, June 15. The Megaband provides unlimited access to all wristband approved rides, during all three days of the event, and is priced at $60. Megabands can only be purchased in advance online.

Single day unlimited ride wristbands that are valid for any one day are $22 each online before the festival and at the carnival will cost $25 for Thursday, $27 for Friday, and $30 on Saturday. All discounted wristband online sales will end at noon Thursday, June 15.

Run, walk, stroll and celebrate freedom at the Canton Liberty Run 5K, 10K, and 1 Mile annual events on Saturday, June 17. As in years past, a portion of all entry fees will help fund recreation and trail improvements in Canton. Runners, and walkers, should assemble their favorite red, white, blue, and "sparkling" gear and make their way to the starting line. Entry includes a free T-shirt, and finisher's medals for all distances.

Visit www.cantonliberty run.com for additional details. For more information on all Liberty Festival events and attractions, visit www.cantonlibertyfest.com or call (734) 394-5460.

City, township sponsor joint 'Shred Day' in June

The City of Plymouth and Plymouth Township will offer a shred day for all residents of both communities from 9 a.m. until noon (or trucks are filled) Saturday, June 24 at the Plymouth Cultural Center located at 525 Farmer in downtown Plymouth.

Shred Legal will be providing the onsite shredding services. Plymouth Township will host another joint shred event in the fall.

Township Supervisor Kurt Heise welcomed the chance to partner with the City of Plymouth in this popular event. "In the past each community hosted a single event in their respective community for their residents only. We're providing an expanded service and saving taxpayer dollars through regional cooperation," said Heise.

City of Plymouth Mayor Dan Dwyer added, "This is another example of our two organizations working together for the entire Plymouth community."

Paper to be shredded will be limited to five banker boxes on each trip. Residents can make multiple trips throughout the morning, however. Documents can be in paper bags or boxes when brought to shredding. Documents in plastic bags must be removed from the plastic.

Residents participating must also provide proof of city or township residency with a driver's license, voter ID card, water bill, or property tax bill.

Michigan Mobile Hard Drive Shredding will also be on site to securely dispose of old and unused hard drives.

According to Al Cox, Plymouth director of public safety, "With the increase of identity theft, this free service is a great opportunity for residents to ensure their data is properly destroyed to avoid any potential problems."

For more information, email shred@ci.plymouth.mi.us.

Station

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tions."

Firefighters spoke candidly of their concerns about staffing, the problems associated with the differing radio frequencies now in use, and safety for the firefighters during fire and ambulance runs. They said Station 2 is not conducive to accommodating four firefighters as it contains only one bunkroom.

Trustee Bob Doroshewitz said during the study session that he is fully supportive of opening Station 2 and increasing staffing levels but said he also has concerns wants to be sure the reopening is completed in a manner that is sustainable.

"There's not a lot of support here to hire three firefighters," he said.

Doroshewitz reminded the board members that Northville Township has a separate dispatch department and operates on a different radio frequency from the one in Plymouth Township.

"I'm fully committed to opening the station but only in a way it will be open for years to come. I want to know what's the road map and how is it going to be paid for," Doroshewitz said.

Trustee Jack Dempsey said he supports the plan and is in favor of reopening Station 2 as soon as possible.

"We need a long-term plan," Dempsey said, "one that is sustainable."

Trustee Chuck Curmi asked for a detailed written financial plan of operation to "secure sustainable operations going into the future."

"There's no commitment from Northville Township. What's the budget?" Curmi demanded.

"Sorry, I want to get on this, I think the public demands it and this is what the public wants. We've got the money to do it," Heise said.

Lake Pointe, the neighborhood located in the Station 2 response area, has 900 residences. The total township population of 28,000 grows to 38,000 during working hours and adds to the primary responsibility for the fire department that must also handle emergency calls for two major expressways. Station 2 was built expressly to serve Lake Pointe residents, according to township records.

Busch's joins food drive

Busch's Fresh Food Market will partner with local food banks to help reduce child hunger with the annual All ABout Children Food Drive, a community-based fundraiser where food and dollars raised in specific cities, stays in those cities. The drive will continue through Wednesday, May 17 at all Busch's locations.

"Since 2009, the ABC Food Drive has raised over $850,000 in cash and food donations to help local families in need," said Doug Busch, community development director. "This is a community-based effort and we wouldn't be able to do it without the generosity of our guests."

Guests will have the opportunity to donate five different ways, which include $5 towards produce, $10 in bakery, recycling slips, any cash amount, or a $10 ready-to-go bag. Busch's will also be hosting a Grill Fest at all locations, 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Friday, May 12 through Sunday, May 14 in which 20 percent of all sales, including ribs sales from Busch's new restaurant in Canton, J.B.'s Smokehouse, will be donated directly to the food drive.

Busch's mission to promote the welfare of others stems back to 1975 when the company opened its doors. Local charities that benefit from this program are Forgotten Harvest, Food Gatherers, Gleaners, Airport Community Schools, Tecumseh Community Schools and Service Clubs, Pinckney Community Schools, Saline Social Services and Clinton Community Schools.

"Many children rely on schools or other day programs to get the food they need," said Busch. "This is our chance to deliver fresh, nutritious food for our children to eat during the summer months."

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, May 25, 2017 for the following:

DOCUMENT SCANNING SERVICES

Proposals may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at www.canton-mi.org, or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of proposal opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, May 25 2017 for the following:

SUMMIT ON THE PARK CARPET REPLACEMENT - REBID

Bids may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at www.canton-mi.org, or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon notice to the Charter Township of Canton.

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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings – May 2, 2017

A regular study session meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Williams called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call** Members Present: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist (arrived at 6:09 p.m.), Slavens, Sneideman, Williams. Members Absent: None Staff Present: No staff was present for this Study Session **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Sneideman, supported by Anthony to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by all members present. Supervisor Williams introduced Senator Patrick Colbeck in the audience. Williams noted Representatives Dave Noble and Kristy Pagan were invited to attend this meeting, however, they are still in session. Williams had also invited County Commissioner Joe Barone, however, he was also unable to attend because of a personal issue. Senator Colbeck gave a brief update of state legislative activities. **STUDY SESSION: TOPIC 1: Legislative Update:** Supervisor Williams introduced Stephanie Johnson and Ronald Khoury, representing Kandler, Reed, Khoury and Muchmore handling government lobbying services for Canton who conducted the update presentation. Mr. Khoury gave an update on Ford Road issues: The itemization of township issues with Ford Road is being updated, this includes a compilation of needs, population concerns, safety concerns, etc. Ms. Johnson covered the Ambulance Quality Assurance Assessment Program, Firework legislation, "Dark Store" issues, Pension (OPEB) issues, and Marijuana issues. **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** George Miller, 1946 Briarfield, commented he feels bicycles should pay for licenses to use bicycle paths along public roads and these fees should be used for roads. He also commented that gasoline used to run lawnmowers should be exempt from the taxes used for roads. **OTHER:** None. **ADJOURN:** Motion by Sneideman, supported by Anthony to adjourn at 7:33 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. **___Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk ___Pat Williams, Supervisor**

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188, 734-394-5120, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.canton-mi.org after Board Approval. CN1505 - 051117 2.5 x 2.655

Notice of Public Auction Sale - Seized Property

Under the authority in Internal Revenue Code section 6331, the property described below has been seized for nonpayment of Internal Revenue taxes due from Keith L Curtis. The property will be sold at public auction as provided by Internal Revenue Code section 6335 and related regulations.

Date: May 23, 2017

Time: 10:00 am. Bidder registration begins at 09:30 a.m.

Place: Internal Revenue Office 38275 W. Twelve Mile Road, 2nd floor conference room, Farmington Hills, MI

Property may be inspected - drive by only.

Only the right, title, and interest of Keith L Curtis in and to the property will be offered for sale. If requested, the Internal Revenue Service will furnish information about possible encumbrances, which may be useful in determining the value of the interest being sold.

Lot 757 and 1/2 vacated alley in the rest thereof, Grand View Gardens Subdivision No. 2, as recorded in Liber 50, page 93 of Plats, Wayne County Records.

Commonly known as: 29914 Glenwood, Inkster MI 48141

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The Government reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to withdraw the property from the sale.

For additional information about the property and proposed sale, please contact Patty Hall; Property Appraisal & Liquidation Specialist at 214-422-7386 or visit www.irsauctions.gov

Belleville - Northville

Showing off
Students to display workshop creations

Students from Northville High School will be showing off their architectural skills from 6-8 tonight during the first Student Project Exhibition for Computer Aided Design (CAD) and architectural students.

Students will meet with visitors to answer questions on topics from their inspiration for the design to the specific materials, machines and tools used to create projects on display at The Village Workshop in downtown Northville.

The capstone projects were chosen, designed and created by the students as an encore to the four projects completed during the 2016/17 school year.

This is the second year for the project-based program that Julie Fisette, who teaches the CAD Engineering ll and CAD Architectural ll, pioneered with the help of Timm Carson, director of education for The Village Workshop.

"Students are proud to share the projects with their classmates which inspires peers to ask questions," Fisette said.

"This is not your dad's woodshop class," Carson said. "This environment gives kids the opportunity to be involved in many aspects of real-world applications of learning, such as math, problem solving, critical thinking, engineering, a sense of accomplishment and fun."

Throughout the school year, the 11th and 12th grade students were engaged in the project-based learning program at The Village Workshop, where they were trained by the staff in basic safety and operation as well as skill development on various state of the art machines and tools in the 23,000 square foot makerspace in downtown Northville.

Training began in September in the wood shop where each of the students followed plans to build a tapered leg end-table using a table saw, miter saw, band saw, sanding machines and power hand tools in the process.

Additional projects include a set of aluminum dice made on the milling machine, as well as a metal tool caddy using such tools as a box and pan brake, tin snips, hand notcher and riveting tools.

The Shopbot and laser engraver are popular machines used by the students, both are operated by computer software that students used to make a wooden mallet.

The laser engraver was used to personalize the students' table tops and mallets with their favorite quote or sport logo.

Plans are in the process to add more students and projects to the project-based program at The Village Workshop to include other areas of skill development such as electronics, textiles, and robotics. Carson said he is excited about the opportunities and options that programs like this offer students who thrive when exposed to this style of learning.

"Our goal is to provide the tools, technology and the education to equip our youth with skills to be the innovators of the future."

The Village Workshop is located at 455 E. Cady St. in Northville.

Northville High School students will show of their architectural design skills at an exhibition at The Village Workshop tonight.

Flower show is Saturday

The Huron Valley Conservation Association Annual Flower Sale is planned from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday, May 13 in the parking lot of Chase Bank on Main Street in Belleville.

There will be several varieties of flowers for sale.

For more information, call Joe Nellis (734)646-2201 or Kris Matthew (734)646-3763.

Special assessment for streets is discussed

The repair of streets in the Harbour Pointe subdivision in Belleville will depend on the willingness of the 95 property owners to help pay the $1.7 million expense.

After two meetings earlier this month regarding the needed repairs, William and Beth Hutter agreed to circulate a petition in the subdivision to determine the willingness of residents to pay for the 1-mile of repairs through a Special Assessment District (SAD). Regulations regarding funding repairs through a SAD would require that 60 percent of the affected homeowners agree to make payments through their tax bills for the repairs.

The city would borrow the funds and the homeowners repay the loan amount in installments based on the amount of frontage affecting their property.

During the meeting, Mayor Kerreen Conley noted that a city wide examination of roadways performed by experts from Hennessey Engineers, determined that $10 million in repairs was needed throughout the community. The engineers did agree that the roads in Harbour Pointe were the most in need of repair, she said. Conley recused herself from any further discussion of the issue as she is a resident of Harbour Pointe.

Dividing the repair work into specific areas with SADs would be one financing mechanism to accomplish some of the necessary repairs.

After much discussion and explanation regarding the technical and engineering aspects of the road repairs. Three options were under consideration for Harbour Pointe, a complete removal and replacement of the concrete in affected areas was recommended. Those repairs and replacements should have a life expectancy of 30-40 years, according to engineering experts.

The cost for each property owner would be $10,089.47 which could be paid over 10 years at a rate of $1,121.05 annually at 4-percent interest. The assessment would have to be paid in full should the property be sold, officials said.

Several other financing methods were discussed during the meeting but the final decision was to circulate the petitions to determine the willingness of Harbour Pointe residents to agree to a SAD.

The homeowners will be responsible for the $500-$600 per property required for the detailed engineering studies necessary to determine the final cost of the repairs and replacement of the roads.

Classified

01. Obituaries
02. In Memoriam
03. Cards of Thanks
04. Monuments & Cemetery Plots
05. Personals/Announcements
06. Legal Notices
07. Attorneys
08. Entertainment
09. Lost & Found
10. Coming Events
30. Help Wanted
31. Help Wanted Sales
32. Help Wanted Drivers
33. Child Care
34. Specialized Services
35. Situations Wanted
40. Business Opportunity
42. Health and Fitness
43. Money to Loan
44. Music/Art Lessons
45. Adult Care
46. Private Schools/Instruction
47. Riding/Horses/Stables
50. Pets & Supplies
54. Rummage Sales
55. Estate Sales
56. Flea Markets
57. Antiques
58. Garage and Yard Sales
59. Auctions
60. Moving Sales
61. Misc. Items
62. Building Supplies
63. Business and OfficeEquipment
64. Lawn & Garden Supplies
65. Tree Service
66. Landscape / Nurseries
67. Garden Plant / Supplies
68. Garden / Produce
70. Masonry / Brickwork
72. Cleaning Services
73. Musical Merchandise
74. Sporting Goods
75. Boats / Accessories
76. Remodeling & Renovations
77. Recreation Vehicles
78. Hunting / Fishing
82. Wanted to Buy
87. Room for Rent
88. Duplexes for Rent
89. Apartments for Rent
90. Condos/Townhouses for Rent
92. Business Places for Rent
93. Banquet Halls
94. Farm Land for Rent
95. Real Estate
96. Houses for Rent
97. Cottages for Rent
98. Manufactured/Mobile Homes
99. Flats for Rent
100. Will Share
101. Wanted to Rent
102. Storage
103. Business Property for Sale
104. Farms & Acreage for Sale
105. Mobile Homes for Sale
106. Houses for Sale
107. Condos/Townhouses for Sale
108. Lake and Resort
109. Income Property
110. Lots for Sale
111. Out of State Property
112. Commercial Lease
113. Real Estate Wanted
114. Auto Accessories
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117. Trucks & Vans for Sale
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59. Auctions

CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On May 16, 2017 the Westland Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin promptly at 11:00 am at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

1999 CHEVROLET S10
1GCCS14X7XK131008
2005 CHEVROLET IMPALA
2G1WF52E259205775
1999 CHRYSLER TOWN AND COUNTRY
1C4GP54L1XB810876
1999 HONDA ELITE
3H1AF1619XD502033
2012 FORD FOCUS
1FAHP3M28CL424787
2009 TOYOTA COROLLA
2T1BU40E39C162630
2013 CHEVROLET MALIBU
1G11C5SA6DF328288
1996 NISSAN ALTIMA
1N4BU31D8TC103532
2015 CHEVROLET MALIBU
1G11A5SL1FF257477
2003 FORD TAURUS
1FAFP55283A225526
2005 CHEVROLET TRAILBLAZER
1GNDT13S752374023
2006 FORD ESCAPE
1FMYU04196KA78487
2007 JEEP COMPASS
1J8FF47W57D110659
2015 FORD FUSION
3FA6P0HD7FR233028
2007 GMC ENVOY
1GKDT13S672188344
2006 CHRYSLER PT CRUISER
3A4FY48B06T228134
2000 CHEVROLET 4DR
1Y1SK528XYZ411461
2002 MAZDA TRIBUTE
4F2YU09182KM35293
2007 BUICK RENDEZVOUS
3G5DA03L07S529205
2008 MAZDA CX-9
JM3TB38A780160174
1994 LINCOLN CONTINENTAL
1LNLM9747RY608624
2014 FORD FIESTA
3FADP4EJ1EM211773
1998 PONTIAC GRAN PRIX
1G2WP5214WF213309
2009 JAMSTAR ASTRO
L8YTCKPV19Y040010
2003 FORD ECONOLINE
1FTNE24W33HA27863
2001 LINCOLN CONTINENTAL
1LNHM97V31Y646113

*All vehicles are sold in "as is" condition. Bidding on all vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

To advertise in The Eagle call 734-467-1900.

VEHICLE PUBLIC AUCTION

THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES HAVE BEEN DEEMED ABANDONED AND WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION, MAY 24, 2017 11:00 AM AT J&M TOWING 8964 INKSTER RD ROMULUS, MI 48174

2011 CHEV
1G1PF5S9XB7165949
2010 CHEV
2G1WB5EN9A1233458
2000 DOD
2B3HD56J7YH372819
2002 FORD
1FMZU73W22ZB99096
2001 FORD
3FAF911341R138295
2004 CHRY
2C8GM68454R624545
2003 BUICK
2G4WS52J231218758
1975 CHEV
CPY325V310809
1997 CHEV
1GNDT13W1V2249876
2001 BUICK
1G4HP54K0YU350753
1971 CHEV
136371B226447
2016 KIA
KNAFX4A86G5458329
2006 NAT TRK
1S12E95386E512483
2003 PONT
1G2WK52J53F162073
2002 PONT
3G7DA03E12S600557
2016 HYD
5NPE24AFXGH272501
2002 FORD
1FTNF21L52EB98444

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2	11088 Gabriel		X	X	
3	28419 Halecreek		X	X	X
4	18504 Huron River	X	X	X	X
5	15807 Birch Ct	X	X	X	X
6	34903 Michelle	X	X	X	
7	35523 Goddard	X	X	X	X
8	15049 Woodmont	X	X	X	X
9	15101 Woodmont	X	X	X	X
10	15115 Woodmont	X	X	X	X
11	38997 Nottingham		X	X	X
12	6039 Second	X	X	X	X
13	38321 Castle	X	X	X	
14	37239 McBride	X	X	X	X
15	34700 McBride	X	X	X	X
16	6396 Cordell		X	X	X
17	6380 Cordell	X	X	X	X
18	15701 Huron River	X	X	X	X
19	16305 Hollywood	X	X	X	X
20	27696 Newcastle	X	X	X	X
21	11415 Delano	X	X	X	X
22	34512 Julie	X	X	X	X
23	11210 Gabriel	X	X	X	X
24	28723 Forestdale	X	X	X	X
25	11071 Wahrman	X	X	X	X
26	37160 Goddard	X	X	X	X
27	35774 Abbey	X	X	X	X
28	35721 Park Place		X	X	X

	LOCATION	5/18	5/19	5/20	5/21
29	38235 Castle	X	X	X	X
30	32945 Sand Piper	X	X	X	X
31	34973 Michelle	X	X	X	X
32	34973 McBride		X	X	X
33	38804 Wade	X	X	X	X
34	9726 Michael	X	X	X	X
35	12048 Schultz		X	X	X
36	7064 Canyon		X	X	X
37	34345 Lynn	X	X	X	
38	35872 Sussex	X	X	X	X
39	30016 Jamestown		X	X	X
40	9672 Essex	X	X	X	X
41	9660 Essex	X	X	X	X
42	9782 Tobine	X	X	X	X
43	37515 Walnut			X	X
44	32227 Bruce			X	X
45	30446 Kim			X	X
46	37828 Westvale		X	X	X
47	16640 Christy Lane	X	X	X	X
48	15434 Collins	X		X	X
49	15418 Collins	X		X	X
50	16208 Wildfox	X	X	X	X
51	16220 Wildfox	X	X	X	X
52	6935 Sargent	X	X	X	X
53	37110 Barth	X	X	X	X
54	38055 Westvale		X	X	X
55	35925 Herman	X	X	X	X

WAYNE - WESTLAND

Westland joins in healthy city program

Beaumont Health is teaming up with the City of Westland, the Wayne/Westland Community School District, faith-based groups and other community service organizations to help promote good health in the city.

Officials kicked off the Healthy Westland initiative this week, a cooperative venture designed to proactively address the main health issues facing the community by providing education and resources to help residents live healthier lives.

Launched in 2015, the Healthy Communities program has already been adopted in the cities of Trenton, Taylor, Dearborn and Wayne.

"We wanted to bring this to Westland because of the many partnerships involved," said Lynette Ish-Green, Healthy Communities project manager in Wayne and Westland. "Because Wayne and Westland share a school district, this was a natural connection."

The Healthy Communities program grew out of the Beaumont Health Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA), a study non-profit health organizations perform every three years to determine the major health issues in the community and come up with a plan to address those issues. Throughout southeastern Michigan, the major health needs identified in the CHNA are: obesity, cardiovascular disease and diabetes.

The goal of the kick off meeting was to bring together key community stakeholders, such as government, business, faith, service organization and education leaders, to form a broad coalition dedicated to improving the overall health of residents. Other Healthy Communities have formed walking and biking clubs, worked with Farmer's Markets and created other events that emphasize health. Beaumont Health has sponsored free health screenings and brought in guest speakers, too, to educate the public about issues like diabetes prevention and management, nutrition and others. The key, said Ish-Green, is to work collaboratively with the community.

> *This is not a top-down approach. We want to get the residents involved. We want to involve as many key stakeholders as we can.*

"This is not a top-down approach," she said. "We want to get the residents involved. We want to involve as many key stakeholders as we can."

Westland Mayor Bill Wild said he was looking forward to working with Beaumont Health to promote healthy lifestyles within the city. Wild has encouraged other healthy initiatives in the past, including the Passport to a Healthy City program.

"Healthy environments are essential. Even the best efforts to encourage families to exercise more and eat better won't work if communities don't support healthy lifestyles," he said. "Across the country, policy makers, community leaders and the private sector are collaborating to build healthier neighborhoods. Everyone has a role to play."

Betty Priskorn, vice president of Community Health and Outreach for Beaumont Health, said the program has been a successful one that will be expanded into other communities in southeast Michigan, as well. Wayne County, she said, has continually been ranked among the unhealthiest in Michigan and it was important to work proactively with people to reverse that trend.

"Our Healthy Communities framework utilizes a collective approach for maximum level impact and change in the community," she said. "By engaging city leaders, schools, community organizations and-most importantly-residents, we have had tremendous success in engaging communities in healthier eating and increasing physical activity. We are looking forward to expanding this program to Oakland and Macomb counties in the near future. By working together, we can have a huge impact on the overall health of the community."

District teachers awarded grants

Meemic Insurance chose three Wayne-Westland Community Schools District teachers as Classroom Makeover winners earlier this month, and presented each of them with a $300 check.

Each of the teachers submitted an essay on how they would use the funds to improve their classrooms.

Maureen VanHulle, a teacher at Schweitzer Elementary School in Westland, wrote, "I have 27 active students in my class. Each is in need of a whole lot of love, attention, and guidance. Each one comes to me for new knowledge every day, and it is my passion to instill the love or learning in each growing mind.

"If I were to get this grant, I would use the money in two ways. The first way would be to purchase alternative seating and fidget gadgets for my students.

"The next would be to buy some discovery center items. As a new kindergarten teacher, my classroom does not include all of the items necessary to enhance the educational experience of my students."

Elizabeth Clark, an educator at Stevenson Middle School in Westland, wrote, "I would like to use the classroom makeover grant to purchase a class set of the book, Harriet Tubman: Conductor on the Underground Railroad, by Ann Petry. This would enhance my students' educational experience because there is an excerpt in our literature series, but to be able to enjoy the entire book would give them a much broader picture of what she did in history. This is also cross-curricular because students in history learn about the Civil War and Underground Railroad."

Paul Chisholm, a teacher at Tinkham Educational Center in Wayne, wrote, "This grant will allow approximately 90 alternative education high school students an opportunity to produce a significant, permanent, autobiographical piece of ceramic art. Funds from this grant will purchase 250 pounds of ceramic clay, glazes and mosaic supplies. Students will make connections between art and a variety of core curriculum subjects such as history, science, and social studies."

School to host Dueling Pianos

St. Mary School in Wayne will host a Night of Dueling Pianos from 5-11 p.m. Saturday, May 13. The school is located at 34516 Michigan Ave.

Dueling Pianos International will provide 3 hours of live entertainment along with raffles, a 50/50 drawing, a silent auction and live auction. The $40 per person or $75 per couple admission also includes appetizers, dinner and two drinks. A cash bar will be available.

All proceeds will go to support St. Mary Catholic School.

For tickets or more information, email auction@stmarywayne.org.

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Calendar of events

Bus service available

Inkster residents who want to take part in programs at the Dozier Recreation Complex in the city now have a shuttle bus available for transportation.

The Inkster Commission on Aging offers the service which can be requested by phone at (734) 728-7530.

The service is available to all senior citizens who reside in Inkster.

Farmers Market is open

The Westland Farmers Market will open today and be open from 3-7 p.m. every Thursday through Oct. 13.

The market takes place at 1901 N. Carlson, south of Ford Road in Central City Park. Vendors will be selling produce, plants, fresh foods and crafts. There is live music every week and EBT cards are accepted.

For more information, call (734) 326-7222 or westlandchamber@yahoo.com

Student art on display

The 18th Annual Student Art Display at the Northville Art House will feature more than 50 two and three-dimensional works of art in various mediums from middle and high school students in the Northville, Novi and surrounding schools.

The exhibit is organized in collaboration with local art educators to promote the appreciation and the importance of art among community youth. All students participating in this all-media juried exhibit will receive recognition for their efforts including awards and prizes given for outstanding works of art.

The Student Art Exhibit will continue through May 20 during Art House hours, noon until 5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and noon until 4 p.m. Saturday.

Spring carnival announced

The Northville Chamber of Commerce Spring Carnival will take place from 4-10 p.m. today, May 11; from 4-11 p.m. Friday, May 12, from 1-11 p.m. Saturday, May 13 and from 1-9 p.m. Sunday, May 14.

Times are subject to change due to weather and the carnival midway rides will be located at Northville Downs, at Sheldon and Seven Mile roads.

Admission to the midway is free and individual ride tickets are $1. Thursday wristbands are priced at $15; Friday bands are $18 and Saturday and Sunday unlimited ride wristbands are priced at $20.

For more information, call the Northville Chamber of Commerce (248) 349-7640

Hazardous waste collection set

Plymouth Township will host a Household Hazardous Waste Collection event from 9 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Saturday, May 13 at the USA Hockey Arena, 14900 Beck Road, north entrance.

For more information about this event and a list of acceptable items, visit: http://www.plymouthtwp.org/government/departments/solid_waste_trash_collection/household_hazardous_waste.php.

Items that are accepted include: household paints, stains, dyes, floor care items, furniture polish, bathroom cleaners, lawn and garden chemicals, pesticides, fertilizers, antifreeze, motor oil, gasoline, automotive batteries, dry cell batteries, propane tanks, old computers, printers, scanners, TV's, cell phones, fax machines, mercury containing thermometers, thermostats and elemental mercury, fluorescent light bulbs (standard and compact), smoke detectors, fire extinguishers and pharmaceutical waste (non-controlled substances only)

Items that are not accepted include: commercial waste, industrial waste, ammunition, explosives, 55 gallon drums, radioactive materials, unknown - unlabeled waste, shock sensitive materials, household trash and appliances.

Farmers market opens

The first Canton Farmers Market of the year will be open from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. May 14 at Preservation Park, located at 500 N. Ridge Road, Canton.

This open-air-market features a variety of Michigan grown and made food as well as hand-crafted items. The Farmers Market will take place every Sunday through Oct. 12 (closed July 2), rain or shine.

Find the latest market information on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/cantonfarmersmarket.

Judge is luncheon speaker

The Honorable Judge Brian A. Oakley will be the guest speaker at the Romulus Chamber of Commerce Business Luncheon beginning with registration at 11:30 a.m. May 16 at the Romulus Athletic Center, 37565 Northline Road in Romulus. Lunch will be served at noon.

Reservations will be accepted at (734) 893-0694 through May 12. Tickets are $20 for chamber members and $25 for non members.

Oakley is a graduate of the Romulus public schools and has been on the bench at the 34th District Court since 1999. He practiced law in the city for more than 10 years and his family roots in the community go back to the 1800s.

The topic of Oakley's talk will be "You Pay By The Word."

Balance classes offered

A Matter of Balance, an award-winning program designed to reduce the fear of falling and increase activity levels among older adults will be available at no cost in Inkster.

The free classes will take place from 1-3 p.m. Wednesdays, May 17, 24 and June 7 and 14 at the Dozier Recreation Center, 2025 Middlebelt Road in Inkster.

Those who have concerns about falling can register the Inkster Commission on Aging, (313) 561-2382 to register. Transportation for senior citizens in Inkster will be available on request.

Snacks will be provided.

The classes are sponsored by the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan, the City of Inkster and The Senior Alliance.

Wayne class reunion planned

Wayne Memorial High School class of 1957 graduates will meet for their 60th class reunion from noon until 4 p.m. on Saturday May 20 at Wayne Tree Manor, 35100 Van Born Road in Wayne.

For more information about prices or classmates, contact Wanda Putman Boice at (734) 748-5249 or boices@aol.com

Mom2Mom sale set

St. Edith and St. Colette Church will host a Mom2Mom sale from 8:30 a.m. until noon Saturday, May 20.

Admission to the sale is $2. The church is located at 15089 Newburgh Road in Livonia.

Bark in the Park returns

Dog owners and their pets are invited to Bark in the Park from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Sunday, May 21.

Participants, along with their four-legged friends, can enjoy live entertainment as well as purchase merchandise and receive free give-a-ways from local pet supply and service vendors. Both members of the Dog Park and non-members are encouraged to let their dogs experience this off-leash dog park during this free event.

This is an opportunity to learn about the Canton Dog Park, meet other pet owners, and give dogs the opportunity to become more socialized.

Non-dog park members must show proof of up-to-date vaccination for rabies and distemper, signed by an accredited veterinarian.

The Canton Dog Park is located at Denton Road, north of Cherry Hill.

Blood Drive set at city hall

Plymouth City Hall will be the site of an American Red Cross Blood Drive from 10 a.m. until 3:45 p.m. May 22.

For more information visit, www.redcrossblood.org where appointments can be made or call (313) 549-7052. City hall is located at 210 Main St. in downtown Plymouth.

For donor eligibility questions, call (866) 236-3276.

Church serves seniors' lunch

A free lunch for seniors will take place at 11 a.m. May 24 at Salem National Lutheran Church in Westland.

The lunch is free to all seniors. The church is located at 32430 Ann Arbor Trail in Westland.

Memorial Day parade planned

The annual Wayne Westland Memorial Day parade is planned for 1 p.m. May 28 beginning at the Wayne Ford Civic League parking lot. The parade will travel down Wayne Road to the Veterans' Memorial at the William P. Faust Public Library.

Senior driving classes offered

AARP Smart Drivers Program is offering a refresher drivers' education course from 9:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 31 and Thursday, June 1.

The fee for AARP members is $15, all others, $20.

The course offers new rules of the road for seniors along with research-based driving strategies to help stay safe behind the wheel. There are no tests.

Participants must pre-register by calling Wayne Senior Services (734) 721-7460. Please leave a message which will be returned.

Pet Palooza at Farmers Market

The Westland Farmers and Artisans Market will welcome well-behaved dogs from 3-7 p.m. June 22.

Last Day Dog Rescue will be on site to facilitate adoptions during the day and there will be a pet treat and water station available.

The market takes place at 1901 N. Carlson, south of Ford Road in Central City Park. Vendors will be selling produce, plants, fresh foods and crafts. There is live music every week and EBT cards are accepted.

For more information, call (734) 326-7222 or westlandchamber@yahoo.com

Craft Beer Festival planned

Tapped in the Ville, a craft beer festival is planned from noon until 6 p.m. June 24 at Millennium Park, 45769 West Six Mile Road in Northville Township.

Tickets are prices at $30 per person and admission includes 10 tasting tickets and one ticket for a 12 ounce Tapped in the Ville mug.

Tickets are available at www.northville.org or at the Northville Chamber of Commerce office, 195 South Main ST. in Northville.

The presenting sponsor of the event is Dick Scott Chrysler Jeep in Plymouth.

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